

BOOK REVIEW GUIDELINES

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Keeping the journal's reading audience—scholars and students in the field of Latin American history—in mind, you may wish to address the following questions:

- What are the author's goals? Are they achieved?
- Is the work solidly grounded in primary sources (archival documentation, material objects, cartography, etcetera)?
- Is the author's methodology sound?
- How does the book fit into contemporary debates and developments in the field?
- What is the historiographic significance of the book?
- Is the writing clear and free of jargon?
- Which readers—specialists, historians in general, students—will find this work most useful or rewarding?

If possible, please articulate the book's principal arguments. A useful review is one that engages the ideas of the book and places them within the debates of the field. A listing of minor errors of fact, typographical errors, and mistakes in spelling or grammar is generally not appropriate unless they appear in such profusion that they detract from the usefulness of the work.

Scholarly disputation is best handled in a courteous manner. Personal attacks on the integrity of the author, as opposed to strong disagreement with the book, are always inappropriate and will not be published. Commentary on the reviewer's own work is also unwelcome.

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Please provide the first names of all persons mentioned in the review.

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